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#SupremeCourt bench led by Justice Ashok Bhushan to hear plea by the Indian Medical Association (IMA) on account of non-payment of salaries of doctors working with three Municipal Corporations of Delhi.

The plea states that even though the Supreme Court had on June 17 directed to ensure that the States pay their doctors and healthcare workers full salaries, the has not been done by the Delhi Government.

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From June to October, no salary paid and doctors went on strike after which we filed contempt. Then they paid, Senior Advocate Maninder Singh says.

But the writ petition has already been disposed off, the point is can we take the contempt? Justice Bhushan says

The salary of June to October paid only on October 29, after the contempt petition was filed. Why should we have to come again and again to court for payment of salary? says Singh

We are not inclined to pass order here, you agitate before HC, its pending there, Justice Bhushan

No ground to entertain this petition. Open to the applicants to make such application in the pending writ petition before HC, which we have no doubt will be taken up, Justice Bhushan passes order.

Singh says that at least an order must be made by the Supreme Court to say that the salaries must be paid. We have not been paid for October, Singh argues.

But contempt... Justice Bhushan

Forget contempt, doctors are beseeching My Lords, says Singh

The bench adds in the order that the HC will entertain the issue of salary payments.

Singh now insists that the bench add that the salary be paid timely and monthly.

Justice Shah: You must receive a certificate of good advocacy!

But a certificate will not fill the tummy of Covid Warriors!, Senior Advocate Maninder Singh says.

The bench says that it will add it in the order and tells its court master to do so in the order when it is jotted down.